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For : INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, INFORMATION RECORDING  
MEDIUM ACCESSING APPARATUS AND ACCESSING METHOD

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111  
and  
STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF EXAMINER INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
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Sir :

This Amendment is in response to the Official Action dated November 22, 2010, setting a three month period for response extending until February 22, 2011. If any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any extension of time fee, or any other fee that may be required to preserve the pendency of the present patent application, to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, in view of the herein contained amendments and remarks, as well as an indication of the allowability of all the claims pending in the present patent application.

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